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lineal Palatium-Septimontium-Quadripartite-Servian development, still professes faith (why?) in the prodigiously inconsistent notion that the original Servian wall ran outside of the Aventine, while the Servian *pomerium* ran inside of the hill, and still finds the exclusion of the Aventine from the *pomerium* until the reign of Claudius an unsolved mystery. Well, the book is in the reviewer's judgment a very good book after all, and he consoles himself with the thought that there is little enough unreasoned faith to be found on this present earth of ours.

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XII Panegyrici Latini post Aemilium Baehrensium iterum recensuit
 GUILLIELMUS BAEHRENS. Leipzig: Teubner, 1911.

Emil Baehrens in his edition of the *Latin Panegyrists* published in 1874, and in his *Rheinisches Museum* article, effected a distinct and welcome advance in our knowledge of the text. It has been reserved for his son after these many years to accomplish the pious task of supplementing and carrying on still further the elder man's work in this direction. Wilhelm Baehrens laid the foundation of his new recension of the *Panegyrici* in his Groningen Doctor's dissertation of last year (*Panegyricorum Latinorum editionis nouae praefatio maior. Accedit Plinii Panegyricus exemplar editionis*), in which among other things he emphasizes the high value of the Harleian codex as well as that of Upsala for the reconstitution of the lost archetype. He also dealt with the application of the at present extremely popular, newly revived "science" of *clausulae* to the text of the *Panegyrists*. These studies have now issued in the new edition of his father's book. A critical estimate of the work is forbidden in this place by exigencies of space. We can only express a general appreciative welcome, partly, to be sure, for the father's sake, but also because of the son's own merits.

But on the general question of the *clausulae*-passion the present writer must be pardoned for a feeling of something more than hesitation about its ultimate usefulness. Such investigation has appealed to many young scholars, partly no doubt because it offers a ready and simple means toward the composition of a "study." But the attempt to make a statistical science out of the matter would, I imagine, cause Cicero and Quintilian to smile. With what pain do we perceive that the ancients themselves do not consistently obey their own rules, or what we choose to exalt into the position of rules! And when it comes to such assurance as the proposition to amend an otherwise faultless text in the face of unanimous MS authority in order to make it conform to a postulated rule of *clausulae*, it is surely time to sound a retreat. I have often thought that a little mathematical study of permutations and probabilities, and the application thereof to the Latin tongue, might considerably calm the present-day enthusiasm of some of our "investigators."

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